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A NEW BOOK ON HEMIPTERA

This is simply a notice of a new book by Dr. W. S. Blatchley, written by a grateful entomologist. A little over six years ago Dr. Blatchley's book on the Orthoptera of Eastern North America appeared, and now a thick volume of 1,116 pages on the "Heteroptera of Eastern North America" is published by the same author. At the end of the "Introduction" we note the line that "Joy's soul lies in the doing." If this be true Dr. Blatchley is a very happy man.

The introductory chapter deals with the structure, classification, relation to other insects, habits, collecting and preservation of Heteroptera. Then follows the descriptive catalogue giving keys for the families, genera and species, with a detailed description of each of the 1,253 species treated, together with notes on distribution. There are numerous illustrations, and any one turning the pages of the book will be apt to notice a portrait suggestive of the bug about which he seeks information, and so be led to the keys and detailed descriptions. At the end of the volume there is a bibliography covering 23 pages.

We suppose that some of the reviewers will find much fault, as usual, for among thousands of statements it is easy to make a wrong one, but we believe that the book will be of great service, and like Dr. Blatchley's other manuals in great demand as well. --WILLIAM T. DAVIS.

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